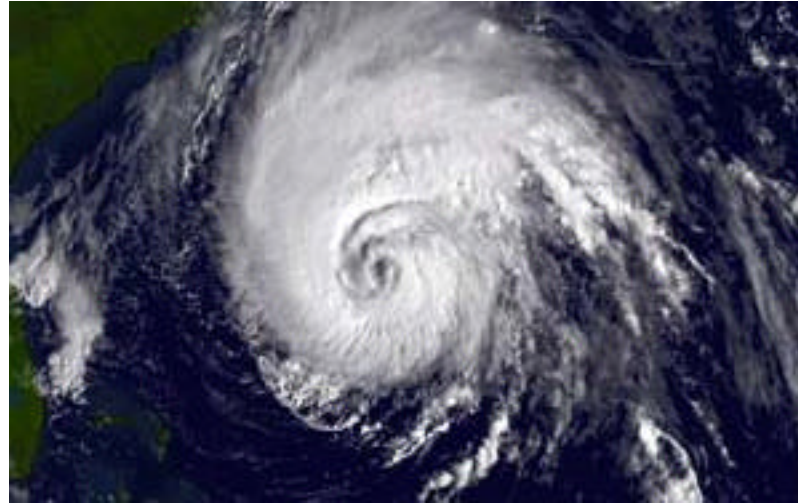


Hurricane Isabel Situation Report 6:00 PM 9/21/03



**Operational Period
6:00 AM – 6:00 PM**

**Emergency Programs Division
NCDA&CS**

**Hurricane Isabel
Team 3 Situation Report
September 21, 2003
06:00 PM**

Situation Report for Operational Period: 6 AM -6PM, 9-21-03

A. OPERATIONS:

- Communicated via memorandum to Emergency Management Coordinators the necessity for transportation access during curfew hours by agriculture employees and farm workers following the storm.
- Provided summary of conference call for situation in Industry.
- Monitored email for ops.crc@ncmail.net and multi-hazard account.
- Monitored electronic task tracker.
- No requests for deployment of any other Operations Personnel.
- County Response Assessment Form created

Food Assessments

Assessment of facilities inspected by NCDA&CS, Food and Drug Consumer Protection Division – coordinated by Don Howell:

- 15 Division Employees reported to work 9/20/03
- Total Man hours: 144.5
- Total Mileage 2119
- 11 Food Inspectors conducted field investigations in 15 Counties: Durham, Halifax, Martin, Washington, Tyrrell, Chowan, Pasquotank, Hertford, Gates, Pamlice, Beaufort, Edgecombe, Nash, Northampton, Bertie
- 164 Firms visited: 146 retail stores, 12 fish processors, 6 others
- Estimated value of product and facility losses: \$2,915,300. 2 million of this is Perry Wynns Seafood in Colerain that was completely destroyed.
- Field investigations are incomplete and will continue over the next several days.

Assessment of facilities inspected by NCDA&CS, Meat & Poultry Inspection Service – coordinated by Steve Wells:
THIS WAS REPORTED ON 9/20/03. A request has been made to update this information by noon on Monday, 9/22/03.

- 85 of 91 establishments potentially affected by the storm were contacted.
- Unable to contact 2 plants in Chowan County, 3 plants in Carteret County and one plant in Craven County.
- Only one plant out of this group suffered severe damage – lost roof of plant and livestock pens.
- Several plants lost power, but loss of product was minimal because backup generators or refrigerated trucks were used.
- One plant lost three hog carcasses due to interruption of slaughter operation as result of power loss.
- Four inspection personnel suffered some hurricane damage to their house and/or personal property.
- Compliance staff found no spoiled or condemned product during their visits to meat handlers and warehouses in affected area.
- Estimated value of lost product at this time is less than \$1000.
- MPIS Inspection staff will continue assessments over the next several days.

Field Operations – Coordinated by Jimmy Tickel:

- Responded to EM 2000 report from aerial surveillance by Civil Air Patrol of dead animals in Washington County. Investigation revealed these animals were hogs that escaped from a Murphy Farms facility and were alive but asleep at the time of air surveillance.

Mortality and Disposal – Coordinated by James Kittrell (Reported Saturday, September 20, 2003)

- Called producers in NE counties. No mortality beyond normal levels was reported.
- Addressed question regarding disposal
- Initial field assessments for Saturday transferred SART teams.
- Gathered producer contact information, extension contacts, public health, animal control and animal facility information.

SART

Search & Rescue – Coordinated by Phil Snyder (SART search and Rescue) and Liz Wills (SART sheltering)

- Team 1 made assessments in Tyrrell and Dare Counties by visiting the EOC, animal shelters and veterinarian hospitals.

The team dropped off 160 lbs of animal food at the Dare County animal shelter in Roanoke Island in case it is needed by the residents on Hatteras Island, who are completely cut off by water.

Tyrrell County reported no needs at this time.

- Team 2 made assessments in Gates, Bertie and Hertford Counties by visiting the EOC, animal shelters and veterinarian hospitals.

SART was the first rescue team of any kind to reach the Gates Co EOC, where they found the entire county was without power, with only one operable phone line and no email access. The water treatment plant was inoperable and the EOC director was able to make their essential requests through SART at the CRC, which directed the requests to logistics, who were able to forward the requests to the Raleigh EOC and EM2000.

Gates Co. has several reports of stray hunting dogs wandering the streets. Animal Control is unable to pick them up since they share the shelter with Chowan Co. and it is currently full.

Bertie County reports no needs at this time.

Hertford County reports no need at this time.

Team 2 headed to Virginia to assess damage and needs.

- Team 3 made assessments in Camden, Perquimans and Chowan Counties by visiting the EOC, animal shelters and veterinarian hospitals.

Camden County reports no needs at this time.

Elizabeth City in Perquimans County reported a need for local veterinary assistance, but determined that a local veterinarian office will open and should be able to deal with any needs.

Chowan County reports no needs at this time although the local animal shelter is now full and may require additional supplies.

- Team 4 made assessments in Carteret, Craven and Pamlico Counties by visiting the EOC, animal shelters and veterinarian hospitals, and report back no animal needs. Team 4 deactivated.

Sheltering – Operations coordinated by Liz Wills:

- As of last night, there were 347 animals in shelters set up in 9 of the affected counties – Bertie, Beaufort, Dare, Johnston, Martin, New Hanover, Onslow, Pitt and Wayne.
- We attempted contact with CART coordinators in the 29 affected counties and were able to make contact with all of these counties. Each county reported no needs at this time.
- We have been running conference calls since Wednesday at 3pm every afternoon for CART coordinators and any veterinarians who would like to join them. We have been providing updates on sheltering, general conditions in the counties and the reports from the search and rescue teams.

- We coordinated with Search & Rescue assessment teams who had been deployed to the 12 counties determined as hardest hit – Bertie, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Halifax, Pamlico, Perquimans and Tyrrell.
- Dare County CART has made contact with the EOC who are forwarding all animal requests / needs to them. Contact person is the CART Coordinator, Lori Braswell, 252-256-1696; 252-475-6310. Local radio has made the same announcement and they are prepared to contact us if they need our assistance.

Veterinary Services

- We continued to attempt contact with the 25 vet practices in 16 counties that we were unable to contact as of Friday 19th September. We established contact with two more hospitals, neither of which had needs at this time.
- Pfizer generously donated medical and veterinary supplies, and the truck arrived and unloaded at the SART warehouse staged in Greenville, NC (Pitt Co)

B. LOGISTICS:

- Updated Task Tracer List for Logistics Section.
 - Developed staffing needs for Sunday (9/21/03) nights Monday (9/22/03) and Tuesday (9/23/03)
 - Sent EM200 request for permitting agricultural workers and vehicles to move in areas under curfew.
 - Monitored task tracker with all Sections and SART to assure tasks are getting entered.
 - Monitored the Logistics e-mail box.
 - Received communication plan to review before 18:00.
 - Monitored the CRC phone line and fax.
- Spoke with Manager of Red Roof Inn to request copies of invoices for lodging since activation on 09/17/03.

C. PLANNING:

- Developed Incident Action Plan for September 21, 1800-September 22, 0600
- Developed Situation Report for September 21, 0600-1800
- Sent electronic copy of IAP/Situation Report for September 21-0600 to mailing lists 'Agency Contacts' and 'Agency list2'
- Continued with the development of the Incident Communications Plan/Calling Tree protocols
- Set up report folders for IAP/Situation Reports from other sections

D. FINANCE:

No activity during this period.